

REMARKS

Formal Matters

Claims 10-41 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein.

Claims 1-9 are canceled without prejudice.

Claims 10-41 are added. Support for the new claims is found throughout the specification, and particular at, for example, original claims 1-9; and paragraphs 21, 23, 31, and 33.

The specification is amended to update the priority information.

No new matter has been added.

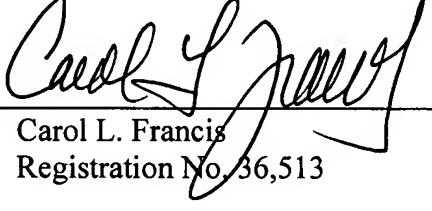
Conclusion

Applicant submits that all of the claims are in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number UCSF-285CONS5.

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